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DECATUR - TEXAS

M'SPADDEN FAILS TO CONJURE JURY

Tarrant County Jury Stops A Sensational Career--Wild John Goes to the Pen

John R. McSpadden, "Panama Kid," wild west show rider and sleight of hand artist, failed to put a "tick" over on a jury in the criminal district court Thursday morning and was found guilty of stealing H. C. Meacham's automobile in January and given seven years in the state penitentiary. He acted as his own attorney and managed to arouse a great deal of interest by clever questions in handling witnesses several times during the trial. After being sentenced by Judge Hosey during the next forty-eight hours, he will be turned over to Denton county authorities, who have him charged with theft of an automobile. McSpadden was caught in Oklahoma and while enroute to Fort Worth as the prisoner of H. C. Cantrell, constable, he slipped the handcuffs and sprang from the window on the moving train and made his escape. He told the jury Thursday morning that he slipped the handcuffs by a sleight of hand stunt he knew and that he did it to prove to Constable Cantrell that "it just could be done." He said Cantrell and other officers laughed at his record as a sleight of hand artist in Oklahoma and that he wanted to make good his assertions.

A few weeks after making his escape McSpadden was caught in Fort Worth by E. C. Wells, who was not instructed, according to Cantrell, to make an arrest, but decided to do so on a downtown street. A fight followed, in which McSpadden bit the man's arm badly.

He swore on the stand that other than the Denton county charge, he had never before been charged with theft. He claimed that Bert Jobe, his brother-in-law, did all the stealing. Jobe pleaded guilty to complicity in the theft and was given two years in the penitentiary.

After Jobe's conviction, a petition to the governor was signed by Judge Hosey, Jesse M. Brown, county attorney, W. R. Parker, assistant county attorney, Sheriff Sterling P. Clark and others asking that the boy be pardoned. He stated that he is 19 years old and that he was led to assist in taking the car by McSpadden. He has been convicted, it is said, for theft in Denton and the officers of that county will be asked to help secure him a "second chance."—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

LARGE CROWD HEARS REV. JESSEE SUNDAY NIGHT

Woman's Suffrage Orator of Indiana Makes Talk--Bailey is Given A Rap

Rev. C. C. Jessee of Indiana, spoke to a large congregation at the Baptist church Sunday night. His subject was nation wide prohibition and woman's suffrage. Rev. Jessee is a splendid speaker and his remarks were heartily enjoyed by a vast majority of those present. No services were held at any of the other churches in the city, and the crowd taxed the seating capacity of the Baptist church. Mr. Jessee paid a splendid tribute to the climate of Texas, its womanhood and the men and women who are leading the fight for a dry nation and the right for women to participate in elections. He rapped Senator Joseph Bailey for opposing the suffrage amendment. A collection was taken to assist in promoting the campaign. Mrs. Harlan J. Matthews, director of the splendid Baptist church choir, treated the large congregation to a beautiful and soul stirring solo.

Soldier Mark Smith returned yesterday from Camp Travis. He has been there since last October with the refrigerating department of the army. Mark looks well.

PANTHER DIVISION TO RETURN HOME

Thirty-Sixth Starts on First Leg of the Journey Home and the Boys Shout

"Oh, Boy! Sure 'nough? Yuh kiddin' me? Home! It's too good to be true!"

Twenty thousand soldiers in the 36th Division went wild. At last it had come! Home and sweetheart, mother, dad and sister and brother. Home and the things they fought for. Home and the old sweet life of the free and easy once again. Home with all its charm and attraction that swells the heart with emotion. The big news broke at Division Headquarters Thursday with the receipt of a telegram from the commander of the S. O. S. relayed through the First Army.

The news came when many still believed the 36th was going to the Rhineland and none expected to go home before three more months.

Copies of the telegram were immediately sent out by the Chief of Staff, and Thursday night the entire Sixteenth Training Area was emanating glee, joy and an all-encompassing good will.

And among those who held a quiet celebration and felt an unusual thrill at the news were the government's guests in the disciplinary barracks at Tronechey.

The 36th will prepare immediately for transportation to the United States, on or before April 27th, the telegram stated. The Division passes under the orders of the S. O. S. who will then take over the task of shipping the 36th to the United States.

All orders as to disposition of supplies and the acquisition of equipment will come from the S. O. S., according to the telegram.

General Smith has recently returned from a tour of the S. O. S. including Le Mans and Brest, presumably through which the 36th will pass enroute to the United States. Consequently he will be enabled to send the 36th Division through the channel that ends at a demobilization camp, with more ease.

Work on service records speeded up Friday, but aside from clerks who pulled their hair and cursed, little work was attempted.

The fact that the 36th Division is going to the La Mans area does not signify that we are to sail at once. General Smith says that we will stay in the La Mans area for at least four or five weeks. This will put us in the port of embarkation about the first week of June, one month ahead of the schedule.—Arrow Head, April 11, 1919, published at Yonne, France.

Business in Decatur Will Suspend for Next Thursday

By the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Decatur, I hereby declare Thursday, May 8th, as a legal holiday for the purpose of selling Victory Liberty Bonds.

All places of business will close on this day except the restaurants, which shall close except at regular meal hours.

Every person is expected to do something to help in putting Wise county over the top.

This order is made as a memorial to the boys from Wise County, who will not return from service and in honor of those who are fortunate enough to get back.

All patriotic citizens will obey this order.

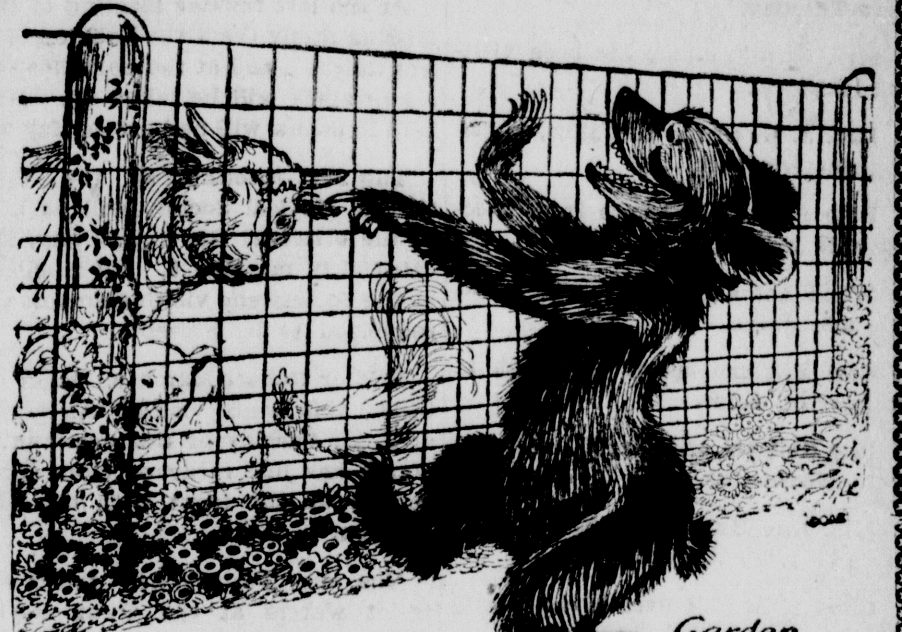
The boys gave months of service. We can sacrifice one day!! Done this April 30, 1919 at Decatur, Texas.

FRANK J. FORD,
Mayor Decatur, Texas.

The banks and postoffice will be closed.

The T. P. W. Oil Company, of Decatur, has made location for derrick in the Garvin community, and work will be started in a few days.

Miss Marion Armstrong of Sunset has been visiting Miss Ida Has'y.



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M. D. Lewis, Boyd,	S. J. Moore, Slidell,
Williamson & Jones, Paradise,	Bond & Newsome, Boonsville,
Rhyme Garage, Rhyme,	

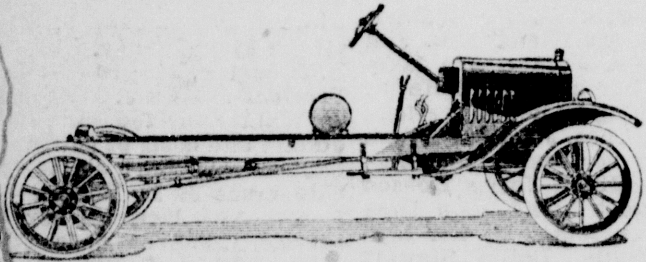
"The Iron Test" at Majestic on Saturday

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School Senior Class Entertains the Junior Class

The senior class entertained the junior and high school teachers and high school teachers at a dinner at the home of S. W. S. Gilbert, Saturday night the 26th. The dinner was beautifully decorated with colors, the Senior class in pink and white and the Junior class in green. A beautiful table was set with a three-course dinner. A three-course dinner was served by the members of the class being

present. With music and diversions the hours sped quickly and it being time to go, everyone left with a happy good wish for each other. Those present of the Juniors were Bertna Wooldridge, Doris Faith, Jewel Lefors, Earl McCowan, Embury Hoyt, Ralph Renshaw and Horace Hinkle. Teachers present were Miss Claudie Mae Workman and Miss Elizabeth Holland.

S. A. Lillard and son, Capt. Steve Lillard, returned from a visit to Kinney county.

W. M. Arnold and Walter Allison of Paradise, were here yesterday.

LOCAL NEWS

Dr. J. M. Farrell is visiting in Dallas.

S. M. Gose was in Mineral Wells yesterday.

Rev. A. A. Swain of Sunset, was here yesterday.

Mrs. Otto Lambert has been visiting in Bowie.

Mrs. J. G. Gragg of Dallas, is visiting relatives here.

Pete Hobson was here from Elberta this week.

When hot and thirsty, stop by at the mezzanine.

Carl England spent the week in Ranger oil fields.

Roy Goldstein of Mineral Wells, was here Wednesday.

Mrs. Gus Hughes is visiting relatives in Nashville, Ark.

Good rains fell over Wise county Saturday night and Tuesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Griggs on Wednesday, April 30, a son.

Mrs. Mary Belew is erecting a new residence in Southeast Decatur.

It's a cinch that Lucy Tiger kills dandruff. Basement Barber Shop.

Mrs. Lory D. White is in Dallas attending her sister, who is a patient in the Baptist sanitarium.

Miss Bess Hovencamp of Ft. Worth has been the guest of Miss Floristine Gibbon.

Miss Dorothy Spencer of California, is the guest of relatives in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Collins and daughter of Gainesville, were here Tuesday.

M. O. Gardner and Alf Breckenridge were here Wednesday from Chicago.

Music for entertainment and drinks for refreshing at the San la Roy mezzanine.

Miss Marion Armstrong of Sunset, visited relatives and friends here the past week.

Ladies, the new mezzanine at the San la Roy is for your enjoyment and pleasure. Come in and see us.

V. E. Baldrige, cashier of the Chico State bank, was in the city this week.

See those splendid feature films which are being shown nightly at the Majestic.

Dr. J. M. Farrell had a leg broken on Thursday of last week while near Boyd. He is now on crutches.

Rev. W. L. Ayers will preach at Elma next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. All invited.

Try Fitch's "Sweet Smile" toilet water; \$2.00 a pint at Basement Barber Shop.

J. D. Thompson and wife and Mrs. W. G. Gouldy of Amarillo, have been visiting Mrs. W. W. Williams.

Fred Curtiss and family of Bowie, were here this week the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lem Hoyl.

Cashier L. C. Edwards of the First State bank of Park Springs, was here Wednesday on business.

Mrs. J. V. Patterson and children have returned from a visit to the family of Col. Tom Milligan near Fort Worth.

Gus Hughes has made much improvement on his property on Lang avenue, and is preparing to remodel his residence.

Do you want to buy a new Ford car on credit? We will sell you one. Inquire at our office for our terms. Decatur Motor Company.

Wise county has one of the best fruit crops in its history. All kinds of fruit trees are loaded, and the yield will be above the average crop.

M. W. Badger came down from Holliday Monday. He was accompanied by his wife, who had been visiting here.

Mrs. Paul Payne, who has been visiting here, returned to her home in Smithville last Friday but came back to Decatur Sunday.

Have you been there—where? The Mezzanine. O Boy! O Joy! Where do we go from here?—To the San la Roy Mezzanine.

Miss Edie Ruth Steen, who has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Andy Harris, has gone to Fort Worth, where she will make her home.

If you want McGee and Tree tomato plants, 35c hundred; 300 for \$1.00, see or phone Cliff Cates.

Dr. Oma Cartwright states that the cattle of this vicinity will be dipped at the A. C. Bennett vat today, Friday, May 2. All cattle must be dipped on this date.

There will be cemetery working at Deep Creek tomorrow, Saturday, May 3. There will be dinner on the ground, and a large crowd is expected.

At the last regular meeting of the Mission Study Class the book studied was finished, and at the next meeting a new study will be taken up. Mrs. Will Renshaw will be hostess May 11.

The next meeting of the Wise County Medical Society will be held in the office of Dr. S. J. Petty, Decatur, 2 p. m., May 6. All members of the society and visiting doctors are requested to be present.

Soldier Robert Marsh of Headrick, Okla., this week visited the family of J. H. Cassidy of this community. Marsh has just returned from active service on the front with the 30th division.

The very best in hair tonics and toilet waters at the Owen Barber Shop on North Trinity street; and service that brings you back.

Mrs. Newt Crabtree received a message Wednesday announcing the death of her uncle, Mr. Henry Perdue of Gainesville. Mr. and Mrs. Crabtree went to Gainesville yesterday to attend the funeral.

Decatur ball team went to Alvord Wednesday and was defeated 8 to 1. Alvord rapped out ten safe hits and took advantage of several errors by Decatur, while Decatur was unable to connect with Lancaster for hits at critical points.

James Riddle is again with Perkins-Timberlake Company as manager of the tailoring department. Mr. Riddle is one of the best tailors in this section, and for several years was in charge of the Red Store tailor shop.

H. H. Beard and family of Hocky, Okla., have been here this week visiting relatives. Mr. Beard invested in Wise county oil leases while here, and expressed his confidence in the future of the Wise county oil field.

Inspector Sharp states that Decatur received a pretty good cleaning during the recent campaign. Still there is lots of work to be done to get the city in a strictly sanitary condition.

Marriage licenses: J. G. Thompson and Miss Ollie Norwood; Orse Pewett and Miss Velma Evans; Geo. Tacquard and Miss Ruby Clark; Winters Scarlett and Miss Lizzie Brownlee; Jas. Freeman and Miss Lizzie Ryan.

To the ladies of Decatur, Rhone and Alvord: The Barclay corsets are guaranteed to fit and give entire wearing satisfaction. MRS. W. S. HARDING, Agent, Decatur.

On last Sunday night burglars entered the store of W. L. Redwine at Alvord and took a large quantity of jewelry. No clue has been found as to the identity of the guilty ones. Sheriff Malone has offered a reward for the apprehension of the burglars.

Rev. King Vivvion of S. M. U., Dallas, preached a splendid sermon at the Methodist church Sunday morning in the absence of Pastor Luton. This young man has power and conviction in the pulpit, and he is destined to be one of the big men of Methodism.

Paul Gale returned this week from several months' service overseas with the marine aviation, in the Northern Bombing brigade. He saw service on the Belgian front a short time before the war closed. During his training Gale qualified as sharpshooter. He volunteered for service at Waco.

H. O. Willenburgh, who for some time has had charge of the tailoring department at the Red Store, has accepted a place in the Collier-Richardson tailor shop at Wichita Falls. He leaves with his family soon for that city. Mr. Willenburgh has made the Perkins-Timberlake Co. a valuable employee, and has made a host of friends here who wish him success in his new location.

The Owl Club held its last meeting with Mrs. John A. Simmons, president. The club decided to study "Social Problems," a course gotten out by the extension department of the state university. The following officers were elected: Mrs. M. W. Burch, president; Mrs. B. Sellers, vice president; Mrs. Roy Heathington, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. W. C. Milligan, critic; Mrs. John A. Simmons, parliamentarian; Miss Marie Patten, librarian.

Messenger learns with regret that Steve Lillard, Jr., and family are going to move to Temple, where Steve will be connected with one of the largest milling plants in the state, property of the Lillard interests. He is a splendid business man, receiving his training under his father, recognized as one of the most successful business men in Texas. Mrs. Lillard is a most charming lady, and since coming to Decatur has been prominent in society and church circles. Temple gains splendid citizens in the going of these people to that city.

Martha Mae, the 11 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spain, died at her home in this city Wednesday night after a two-weeks' illness. Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church by Pastor Luton at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The remains were taken to Pleasant Grove cemetery for interment. Martha Mae was a little girl of sweet disposition, was obedient to her parents and teachers, and was a favorite among her associates. She was in the third grade at the public school, and the children of her grade attended the funeral in a body. The grieving parents and relatives have the sympathy of many friends.

Two petitions were presented to commissioners' court this week, one asking that the court designate S. Trinity street as the Meridian Highway route into the city, while the other solicited the court to say the original route, running parallel with the Denver tracks to East Main then up this thoroughfare to the square, be designated. The court, as the Messenger understands it, has nothing to do with the selection of the route, and no action can be looked for from that quarter. This matter is left to the state and federal highway commission, who we learn, favor the East Main street route.

G. W. Splawn and wife went to Denton Saturday, where they attended the memorial services held for the students of the Denton normal who had made the supreme sacrifice during the war. Watson Splawn, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Splawn, was among those honored during the memorial, and splendid tribute was paid this intrepid young fighter for his part in the great struggle. Sgt. Splawn was wounded during a charge, a machine gun bullet hitting him in the side, yet he lived for some weeks after the armistice was signed. He died as a result of an attack of pneumonia.

AUCTION SALE

On the first Monday in May I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder on the public square in Decatur, the following:
1 pair mules,
1 pair harness,
1 wagon,
1 Ford car.

—HENRY ASKEY, Decatur.

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TO TRADE

TRADE—Will trade A-1 12-gauge Remington pump gun for double-barrel hammerless.—DICK COLLINS, at Messenger office. (t-f)

LOST

LOST—Wednesday night at school building, six keys on three rings. Finder liberally rewarded. Return to Mrs. M. W. BURCH. (75)

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—on easy terms, 316 acres fine stock farm.—W. P. THURMOND, at City National Bank (76)

SHEEP FOR SALE—125 Breeding Ewes; 8 registered bucks, shropshires.—G. C. RAN. (75 t-f)

FOR SALE—My lot and partly-buried residence on South Trinity, two blocks from square. Will sell reasonably.—MRS. JULIA TILLEY. (75)

FOR SALE—One windmill and fixtures.—MRS. L. W. WHARTON, Decatur. (75)

FOR SALE CHEAP—2 Ford roadster; good condition. BOB CATES.

FOR SALE—Eastman folding camera, post-card size; good as new, at reasonable price.—A. J. PINKERTON, North Side Square. (t-f)

M'GEE and Tree tomato plants, 35c hundred; 300 for \$1.00. CLIFF CATES, phone S. W., 143.

FOR SALE—My home on south Trinity street. See S. P. PORTER at Moore's grocery. (75)

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Wise county—Greeting: You are hereby commanded that you cause to be published at least once each week for a period of not less than ten days in a newspaper of general circulation which has regularly and continuously published in said Wise county for a period of not less than one year, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas.—To all persons interested in the estate of R. H. Beall, deceased. The following application was on this 7th day of April, 1919, filed in the county court of Wise county, sitting in probate matters: "Your petitioner, Hattie Beall, shows to the court that R. H. Beall, testator in the will involved in this proceeding, is dead; that he died on or about the 13th day of Jan. 1919, near Decatur, in Wise county, Texas; that the legal residence of said testator at the time of his death was in said Wise county, Texas; that the said testator left at his death an estate of the probable value of \$10,000.00, consisting of real and personal property located in Wise county, Texas; that at the time of the execution of his said will the said testator was of sound mind, legal age and otherwise qualified to execute a will; that the name in full of your petitioner, designated in said will as testamentary executrix, applicant for the probate of said will, is Hattie Beall, and she resides near Decatur, in Wise county, Texas; that she is not disqualified from accepting letters testamentary;

Wherefore, she prays that said will be duly probated, and that letters testamentary issue to her."

And the same being considered, it is ordered and adjudged that the said application be set for hearing before the said court setting in probate matters at its next regular term to be held at the courthouse of said county in Decatur, Texas, on the 7th day of July, 1919. Now, therefore, these are to notify you, and each of you interested in said estate that you be and appear before said court at said time and place, then and there to contest the said application if you desire to do so.

Herein, fail not, but of this writ make due return, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal this 16th day of April, 1919. CARL FAITH, Clerk, County Court, Wise county, Texas. (May 2)

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county—Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon Samuel G. Evitts, the unknown heirs of Samuel G. Evitts, George S. Vincent, the unknown heirs of George S. Vincent, S. L. T. Phears, and the unknown heirs of S. L. T. Phears, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there by a newspaper published there in, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 43rd Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District court of Wise county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Decatur, on the last Monday in May, A. D. 1919, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to answer a petition filed in said court on the 28th day of April, A. D. 1919, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 4313, wherein Esther Walker, suing by her next friend Mrs. Jim Walker, Mrs. Jim Walker, Ada Lefever joined by her husband, Lefever, Don Jackson suing by her next friend Chas. Jackson, Chas. Jackson, Emma Miller suing by her next friend, Geo. Miller, George Miller, Jervis Hobson suing by her next friend John Hobson, Julia Evitts, joined by her husband, Lem Evitts, Dollie Stewart joined by her husband, W. A. Stewart, W. R. Walker, Sam H. Walker, G. W. Walker, J. M. Walker and John Hobson are plaintiffs and Samuel G. Evitts, George S. Vincent, the unknown heirs of George S. Vincent, S. L. T. Phears, and the unknown heirs of S. L. T. Phears are defendants, and said petition alleging suit in trespass to try title to following described land, being a part of the James Byrne survey:

Beginning on the E. B. line of the George Duncan survey at North-west corner of the James Holman survey, thence east 420 varas, thence north 710 varas, W. B. line of said Holman survey to south-west corner of J. Gross survey, at 1660 varas north-west corner of same, thence west 430 varas, north-east corner of the Geo. Duncan survey, thence south 1660 varas to the place of beginning, containing 127 acres.

This conveyance consists of 81 1/2 acres of the south part of the above described tract the balance of 44 1/2 acres, being sold to J. L. Cheves.

In Wise county, Texas, being 67 acres out of the James Byrne survey and 33 acres out of the S. G. Evitts survey, beginning at the north-west corner of the John Gross survey, thence east 202 varas, thence north 267 varas, thence west 609 varas, thence north 735 varas to the place of beginning, containing in all 100 acres.

Also 95 acres out of the S. G. Evitts survey, beginning at the south-east corner of the S. D. Rich survey, thence east 634 varas to the east

bank of Willow creek, thence north with the meanderings of said creek to the N. B. line of locative interest of S. G. Evitts, pile of stone in bed of the creek, thence west varas to S. D. Rich north-east corner, thence south with Rich R. to the place of beginning, containing 95 acres.

The Plaintiffs alleging that are the owners of said land and entitled to the possession of said by virtue of the ten years' statute of limitations.

Herein fail not, but have said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. V. Cunningham, Clerk of the District Court of Wise county.

Given under my hand and seal said Court, at office in Decatur, the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1919. V. CUNNINGHAM, Clerk of District Court, Wise Co., Texas. (May 2)

SHERIFF'S SALE

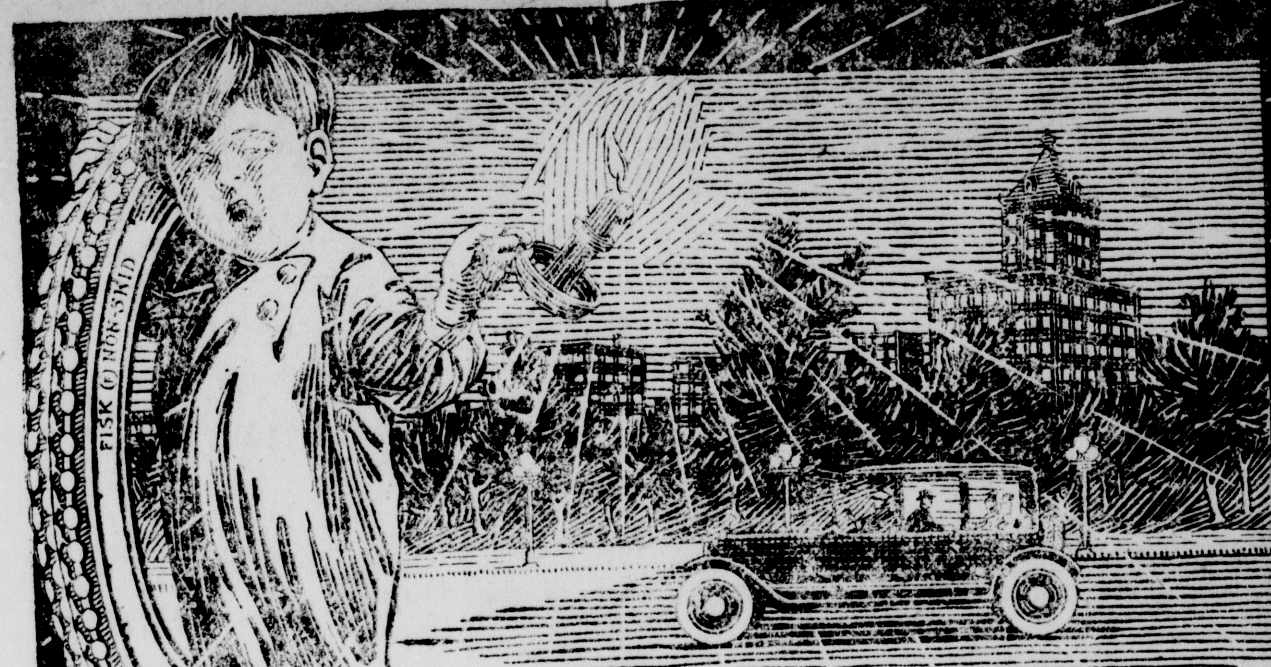
The state of Texas, county of W. By virtue of a certain execution sued out by the honorable justice of the peace of Precinct No. 1, Wise county, on the 17th day of April, 1919, by B. Johnston, Justice of Peace of Precinct against J. W. Gentry and B. Walker for the sum of sixty dollars and costs of suit, in cause 3890 in said court, styled Charles E. Eversus J. B. Walker and J. Gentry, I, J. W. Woods, Constable Precinct No. 1 of Wise county, Texas, on the 17th day of April, 1919, levy on certain real estate, sit in Wise county, described as follows:

50 acres of the Polly Ryan survey, deed by W. C. and M. Burton to J. W. Gentry on September 20th, 1880 and 60 acres of the Ryan survey, deed by R. D. Gentry and as guardian to J. W. Gentry, deed dated January 22nd, 1919, which deeds are here referred to more complete description hereinafter upon as the property of J. W. Gentry. And on Tuesday 3rd day of June, 1919, at the house door of Wise county city of Decatur, Texas, betwixt hours of ten a. m. and four p. m. will sell said property at public sale, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. W. Gentry by virtue of said levy and execution.

And in compliance with this notice by publication, in English language, once a week for consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, County Messenger, a newspaper published in Wise county.

Witness my hand, this 19th day of April, 1919. J. W. Woods, Constable, Precinct No. 1, Wise county, Texas.

The high school audience crowded last night by "Titanica", a play presented by Junior Harmon club, adapted from Shakespeare's "Titus Andronicus".



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& 1st Monday Specials
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Feed by Trading With Me
Yours Anxious to Please,
W. L. DALLAS.



THE VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN INVESTOR

COLLEGE NEWS NOTES

In the oratorical contest held last Friday night in the chapel between D. B. C., Grubbs Vocational College, and Clarendon College, W. Erward Matthews, representing D. B. C. won first place by a unanimous vote of the judges. The program was:
Reading—Mary Ruth Matthews.
"Our Returning Soldiers"—Mr. Brendigen, Grubbs.
"Our Relations with South America"—Mr. Tucker, Clarendon.
"The Emancipation of Poland"—Mr. Matthews, D. B. C.
Violin solo—Mr. Jarrell Gose.
The judges were, Dr. Stuart, President of T. W. C., Fort Worth, Prof. Kiker of T. W. C. faculty and Rev. Mr. Smith of Grapevine. Mr. Matthews will represent the Northwest Texas district in the State Oratorical Contest, Burleson College, Greenville, May 9.

The baseball team returned Saturday morning after a trip, during which two games were played with John Tarlton College, Stephenville and Thorp Springs Christian College. The John Tarlton games were lost by a narrow margin, but the Thorp Springs games were easily bagged.

Oluiff Castevens was absent the latter part of last week attending the funeral of his grandfather, who was one of the pioneer settlers of Johnson County.

It is now definitely determined that the debates between D. B. C. and Burleson and Marshall will be held May 13.

The Junior class will have a picnic Saturday.

Senior Theses were due Tuesday.

Rev. W. W. Melton, pastor of the 7th and James Street Baptist church, Waco, will preach the commencement sermon, May 25.

DUKE DOME WELL NUMBER 1 DRILLING AT 2,100 FEET

The well No. 1 of the Duke Dome Oil Company in the Desdemona district has set the eight-inch casing at 2,000 feet and is now drilling at a depth of 2,100, according to a report from L. A. De Laney, field manager of the company, who was in Ft. Worth Monday.

They expect to reach the top of the black lime the latter part of this week where the six and five-eighths inch casing will be set. Without any bad luck it is expected the well will be completed early next week.

NEW BRICK COMPANY IS BEING ORGANIZED AT THE COAL CITY

Bridgeport, Texas, April 28.—A company is being formed to establish and operate a brick, electric light and ice plant at Bridgeport.

Harry Hardy has been made superintendent of the old brick and light plant and is now engaged in overhauling the machinery. The brick plant has more orders than it can fill.

Bridgeport is building right along. There is not a vacant house to be had in the town and new buildings are now under construction.

Crop prospects could not be more favorable.

FROM WILL I. PERRIN

March 23, 1919.

Dear Sister:—I received your and Fannie's letters last night, and was sure sorry to hear that bad news that mother wouldn't live long. Guess she is gone by now. I sure would like to be there, but you all can see how it is. Well, I am not surprised for I have been expecting something like this to happen for a long time. Kate, if she is still alive, tell her that I am well and would give anything to see her and tell her that I will be a good boy.

This is sure a pretty country. The Frenchmen are starting to farming. I guess Glenn has planted corn by now.

Tell Fannie I will write to her tomorrow. I don't think I can write after the 27th of this month, as they are going to stop the mail of the 22d Division, for we are coming home in next month. Well, I don't know anything to write, so will close, with love to all.

WILL I. PERRIN,

PROGRAM FOR SENIOR LEAGUE

Hymn.
Responsive Reading—Ps. XXXII.
Scripture Lesson—Romans X, 9; Luke XXII, 55-61.
Prayer—Leader.
Hymn.
Questions and Announcements.
Talk—Leader.
Hymn.
Talks on the "Confessions of Christ"—Anna Bridges, Lena Marie Skeen.
Talks on the "Denial of Christ"—Beatrice Perkins, Pearl Elder.
Prayer.
Installation of new officers.
Hymn.
League Benediction.
Leader—Hazel Braty.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county—
Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon James M. Trimble and the unknown heirs of James M. Trimble by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said 43rd Judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43rd Judicial district to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Wise county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Decatur, on the last Monday in May, A. D. 1919, the same being the 28th day of May, A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 28th day of April, A. D. 1919 in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 4315, wherein Esther Walker, suing by her next friend, Mrs. Jim Walker, Mrs. Jim Walker, Ada Lefever, joined by her husband, Lefever, Don Jackson suing by her next friend, Chas. Jackson, Chas. Jackson, Emma Miller, suing by her next friend, George Miller, George Miller, Jervis Hobson suing by his next friend, John Hobson, Julia Evitts, joined by her husband Lim Evitts, Dollie Stewart joined by her husband, W. A. Stewart, W. R. Walker, Sam H. Walker, G. W. Walker, John Hobson and J. M. Walker are plaintiffs, and James M. Trimble and the unknown heirs of James M. Trimble are Defendants, said petition alleging suit in trespass to try title to the following land in Wise county, Texas being 100 acres out of the Thos. Denson survey, being 100 acres of the south end of 297½ acres of land, beginning at the south-east corner of said 297½ acres, thence north 510 varas, thence west 1107 varas, thence south 519 acres, thence east 1107 varas to place of beginning, containing 100 acres.

In Wise county, Texas, being 100 acres of land out of the Thos. Denson survey, beginning at the south-east corner of the G. W. Kings tract, thence north 585 varas, thence west 1011 varas, thence south 585 varas, thence east 1011 varas to the beginning, containing 100 acres of land.

In Wise county, Texas, being part of the Thos. Denson survey, and being out of Block No. 3, beginning at the north-west corner of No. 2, then west 1263 varas, thence south with the east line of McCright, 100 acres to the south-east corner, thence east 252 varas, thence south to the north-west corner of Walker 100 acres, thence east 1011 varas, thence to the beginning, containing 200 acres more or less.

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the owners of same land and entitled to the possession thereof by virtue of the ten years' statute of limitation.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. M. Cunningham, Clerk of the District court of Wise county. Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Decatur, this the 29th day of April, A. D. 1919—W. V. CUNNINGHAM, Clerk of the District court of Wise county, Texas. (May 2-23)

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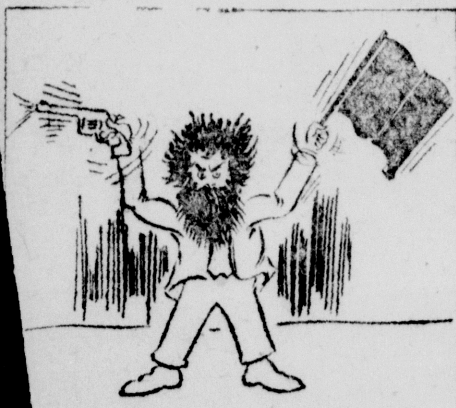
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THE STATE OWES ME MONEY I MUST PROTECT IT

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Any erroneous reflections upon the character, standing or reputation of any firm, person or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Messenger will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publishers.—Collins & Smith, Publishers.

Friday Morning, May 2, 1919.

We are of the opinion that John J. Pershing is a good democrat.

All the heroes are not wearing crosses and medals, by a long shot.

Turn over a bond or two to the great Centenary cause of the Methodists.

More derricks are going up in the Wonderful County. On with the plans for that new hotel.

It is said that Hon. Joe Bailey will be in Decatur one day soon to speak to the voters against woman's suffrage.

Millionaires are being made at a rapid rate in the Burk field. You can make it up there if you have gizzard, gumption and gall. And some money to start the fight on.

Most every regular army officer who went to France will be decorated. Less than sixty per cent of them saw actual fighting, yet, they will be returned home decorated heroes.

The returned soldiers are causing uneasiness in the camps of the stay-at-home politicians. The homelings fear the boys from overseas are going to take the play away from them. Here's hoping!

Ten thousand per year is not too much salary for a governor of Texas to draw down. It's a big state, and with a respectable compensation going with the office big men will aspire to be chief magistrate.

Give the soldier the ballot. If anybody deserves to have a voice in the government, it is the man who went overseas and risked his life to preserve this nation from the inroads of the Hun.

Italy seems to want a lion's share of the spoils. The macaroni-eaters should remember that the gig was up with them at a certain stage of the conflict, but the arrival of English and French troops kept the boot from being pulled on by Austria.

An American, French and German soldier wandered who could stay in a dugout with a skunk longest. The French soldier went in first and stayed ten minutes. The American went in and remained eleven minutes. The German then went in, and the skunk came out.

We learn that Jack county citizens are mentioning our mayor, Frank J. Ford, for district judge, to succeed Judge McKinsey when his second term is out. The district could be raked with a fine tooth comb and better material for a judge could not be found.

The pro amendment will undoubtedly carry, but we have serious doubts about the suffrage amendment going over the top. It seems that a vast majority of the ladies do not want the privilege of participating in the game of politics. Only about two dozen paid their poll taxes this year. However, reader, gentle and otherwise, we do not know the situation, and being in this position we have a hesitancy in stating really what is what.

Gov. Hobby, upon the recommendation of the attorney general, vetoed the bill allowing soldiers to vote without poll tax receipts. Now the enemies of the governor are after him with a sharp stick. A number of them say this was done to save the pro amendment, stating that a majority of the returned soldiers are opposed to the closing of the saloons. Another element, opposed to the governor, say he vetoed the bill because he feared the warriors would vote the state bone dry. So there you are.

In selecting Mrs. Vernon Terrell to head the woman's suffrage movement in Wise county, the district officers made a wise selection, is the opinion of those who favor woman's suffrage. Mrs. Terrell has devoted much time to the study of this question, which has equipped her with a

splendid knowledge of the question. She is one of the best-read and most brilliant woman in Decatur's club circles, and her efforts for the cause which she heads in Wise county will be effective.

When the newspaper throws a big bunch of roses at you, why don't you call and make your best bow? If we had failed to mention you, why, it is dimes against cream puffs you would be saying something very unladylike. You should appreciate the fact that in throwing big bunches of flowers the newspaper runs the risk of making itself appear the least bit ridiculous, and a "thank you" now and then goes a long way in smoothing off the blunders it may make in picturing stupidity as marked intelligence and a scold as a beauty.

Bob Waggoner, former citizen of Wonderful Wise, a son of the late John Waggoner, and cousin of the cattle baron, W. T. Waggoner, has struck it rich. The Burk-Waggoner well on the Bob Waggoner farm near Burkburnett, came in the other day, and at this writing Bob is rolling in liquid gold. Some estimate his wealth at more than a million, some say two millions. Anyway, Bob is on Easy street and the goose is honking high. He was a poor man thirty days ago, owning a poor farm west of the "oil field." The dew on the pumpkin will not find Bob in the field; no more will the lark be startled by the early morning tread of Bob as he goes to the tilling.

Sergt. H. G. Ward sends the Messenger a collection of photos of French beauties, some good lookers, too. He says they are numerous in Paris as tres ands of the sea. At the same time Serg. Ward deprecates the fact that there is three times as much mail going from the boys over to the folks at home as is received by the boys from home. The girls at home might be able to see a veiled threat were the two statements above read together. The boys over there want letters from home—they need them badly, so, if you have a friend who is sojourning in France, Germany or Italy, write him regularly.

Down in Houston the other day an offended hubby went forth with a six pistol, seeking the man who "had wrecked his home." He went to the room in a hotel that had been occupied by the man he was seeking and murdered a fellow who answered his rap on the door. It turns out that the man the irate husband was seeking had vacated the room some hours before and a guest, a stranger, from Chicago, had been assigned the room. The wronged husband is now in the Houston jail, wailing over his terrible mistake. Unfortunately, waiting and praying and dejected looks on the part of the killer will not restore the stranger to his family in Chicago, or return him in health to his old mother who kissed him good-bye when he boarded the train for Texas.

Two or three of our best citizens this week have called at the Messenger office and made the request that we publish "something about the reckless violations in this town of the state's auto speed laws." Dear friends, we have published something like a thousand columns about these violations. We have warned the speeders, we have told them that the officers would get them if they did not watch out, we have requested and solicited them to slow down to at least twenty miles an hour when turning street corners and intersections. We've done our best to convince them that racing on the streets and around the square was not only a violation of the law, as much so as fighting, pistol-packing and turning loose stock, but that it was dangerous to limb and life of pedestrians. But 'taint no use, it seems. On the contrary, violations are getting more numerous. Some day the mangled body of some child will be dragged from under the wheels of a smart Jack's auto, or some woman will be run down by a speedster, and a shotgun or club in the hands of an irate husband or son will play a prominent part in bringing some autoist to his

senses. But will such a move restore life or replace a maimed limb? We think not. The violations should be stopped while the good pedestrians are alive and all together.

TYPE TO A "T"

Type tells the tale to thousands;
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Touching temperament—tapping tenderness;
Telling time-tired theories—
Tabulating their treasures, their tests;
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Thriftingly treading the traveler's territory—
Transferring the teachings that take toil—time;
Treating tabooed topics tactfully;
Talking truth daily—tomorrow;
Truly type takes the trophies.

Paul Harding states that the Messenger weather prophet is a bum artist and threatens to report our activity in calling the turn on the weather man to headquarters. Several days ago Paul, sought us and made inquiry concerning the likelihood of spring lingering longer in the lap of winter. Thinking we were a good prophet, we told him that spring in all its glory was here, and that it was time "to take 'em off." Paul fell for the advise, the day being an ideal poetical spring-like day, and "took 'em off." Next day, and for several days following, the weather man went on a rampage and chalked up some arctic variety of winter. Paul shivered and proclaimed the official weather prognosticator of the great religious weekly a very, very stupid prophet. We plead "extenuating circumstances"—we saw a swallow (but it is written that one will not make spring) and we beheld an auto westward bound with fishing poles tantalizingly protruding from the rear. And we had just finished digesting a big catch story of Venor Patterson.

At a meeting of the Decatur High school board this week, Claud Dillehay was elected supt. for the next school year. This young man is a Decatur product, having been born and reared in this community and he is splendidly qualified for the position. His record as a student in some of the best educational institutions in the country stands as a mark to his ability and industry. He is a graduate of Decatur High, Decatur Baptist College, Waco Baylor University and Brown University. At all these schools he won recognition as a student of marked ability. He was a commissioned officer in the army of Uncle Sam, quitting the school room to offer his services to the great cause. After being discharged from the army, he was named an instructor in the Honey Grove High school, which position he now holds. Messenger, several years ago, stated that this young man would make his mark high, and his splendid success has verified all our claims for him. Claud Dillehay is a most worthy young man; clean in his daily life, a cultured, educated gentleman.

LET PROHIBITIONISTS BEWARE

Men ought to use all the sense they have; prohibitionists, not less so.

We have won the battle in all but the finals. However, let us take no chances. If our county is dry, that is good; if the state is dry, that is better; if the Nation is dry, that is best of all.

Let us put prohibition into the constitution of the state on May 24. To do it will bring about "safety first" to the cause, if for any reason, or by any tricks, the Amendment to the Constitution of the Nation fails to be enforced. The rum traffic today is making the hardest fight of their lives to defeat national prohibition.

For my part, I shall fight for the adoption of the State Amendment as I would be if it were in jeopardy. We can afford to take no risks.—S. P. BROOKS.

UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE.

The following communication from Mr. George L. Beatty of Lubbock, is published by request of a Messenger subscriber: "Who is the head of the family according to Scripture teachings? I will make him a help-meet for him. And the rib which Jehovah (the Lord) God had taken from the man, made He a woman and brought her unto the man."—Gen. 2:18-22. What state of mind should be in the husband and wife with respect to each other? 'Wives, be in subjection unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, being Himself the Savior of the body.

The Thankful Man

I wish to express my sincere thanks to my many friends for their loyal support in buying groceries and feed from me and then telling their neighbors and friends about me. I shall ever do my best to merit your friendship by giving you at all times the best bargains that money can buy. Don't fail to come in when in town—no trouble to find me—just follow the crowds and enjoy some real cheap prices. Remember you get the same discount the same as I do, because you and I pay cash. Your dollar buys its full value here.

Fred Freeman "The Farmer Merchant"

But as the church is subject to Christ so let the wives also be to their husbands in everything. 'Husbands, love your wives even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself up for it.'—Eph. 5:22-25.

Was woman ever allowed to exercise authority over man, except as in case of Deborah, by special commission from God? 'But I permit not a woman to teach, nor to have dominion over a man, but to be in quietness. For Adam was first formed, then Eve.'—1 Tim. 2:12-13.

Was there a woman among the apostles or among the public officers of the early churches? 'And when it was day He called his disciples, and He chose from them twelve, whom also He named apostles.'—Luke 6:13.

'Look ye out, therefore, brethren, from among you, seven men of good report, full of the Spirit and of Wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.'—Acts 6:3.

Were they on an equality with men in the church meetings? 'Let the women keep silence in the churches, for it is not permitted unto them to speak, but let them be in subjection, as also saith the law. And if they would learn anything, let them ask their own husbands at home; for it is shameful for woman to speak in the church.'—1 Cor. 14:34-35.

Now, I have given God's laws, I will now give my own ideas. In all high civilized Christian countries, deep down the great controlling power for good is true womanhood. Mothers mold the minds of all. Will woman suffrage increase or decrease this great power? If it will increase it, then I am for it; if it won't, then I am against it.

All in all, is it not safest to remain in obedience to God's commandments? God knows what is best for man and woman. He is woman's best friend.

'Even he that died for us upon the Cross, in his last hour, in the unutterable agony of death, was mindful of His mother.' His last earthly thought was of mother."

Another wrong man has been killed by a wronged husband in Texas. The fact that the man killed was entirely innocent won't help his widow and children. If this thing continues it will be necessary to make an example of one of these slayers, so

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Mr. Hoyl Makes Statement of Condition of Hoyl Oil Co

Paid Out	
Lease	\$10,000.00
Drilling and expense	19,000.00
Commission on sales	3,250.00
Total	\$32,500.00
Shares Sold	
65 shares at \$50 per share	\$32,000.00
Well dug 2,002 feet, left in good condition. The company still owns the lease on the five acres.	
A. C. HOYL, Trustee.	

Stockholders Ask Questions About Statement of Mr. Hoyl

Decatur, Texas, April 24, 1919.

To Mr. A. C. Hoyl: Dear Sir:—I see published what is styled "State-
ment of the Hoyl Oil & Gas Co.,"
signed by you as trustee, in which
appears under the head of "paid out"
only three items as follows:

Lease	\$10,000.00
Drilling and expenses	19,000.00
Commission on sales	3,250.00
Total	\$32,500.00

And under the head receipts
or "Shares Sold" \$32,500.00. As you
were originator and exclusive man-
ager of this scheme from the begin-
ning to the end, I assume that you
intended by this statement to show
the public that you have not profited
by the enterprise, but the people who
entrusted you with this large amount
of money would feel more assured on
that score if you had itemized the
item of "Drilling and Expenses" and
stated to whom the \$32,500 of com-
missions was paid. What the stock-
holders want to know is, who got
their money. You are certainly to
be congratulated for your ability as
a business man for being able to en-
ducting such a large transaction to
calculate the expenditures so as to
cover the exact amount of the money
paid to you by the stockholders.

From your statement it would seem
that in the game you were playing,
you stood to lose nothing whether
it fell wet, or dry, but the stockhold-
ers took all the chances. The con-
cluding part of your statement read-
ing as follows, "Well dug 2,002 feet
left in good condition; the company
still owns the lease on the five
acres," while it has the virtue of
brevity, it is not very illuminating.

While the stockholders may feel very
grateful to learn that they still own
the lease and that a well has been
dug on it, "2,002 feet deep and left
in good condition", this brief state-
ment is not altogether satisfactory.

Your contract states that "the pur-
pose of the Hoyl Oil & Gas Co., shall
be to produce and market oil and
gas" for the benefit of the stockhold-
ers, and you tell them you spent all
their money in buying a five acre
lease and sinking a 2,002 foot well,
and fail to tell them whether this
well produces oil or gas, or only
spouts dust. You say the well is "left
in good condition?" Your contract
(which is remarkably liberal in your
behalf) specifies that in considera-
tion of the entire capital stock and
the proceeds thereof, you will hold
this lease in trust for the benefit of
the stockholders, together with a
well thereon to the depth of 2,000
feet, said well to be fully equipped
for the production of such oil and
gas. You fail to tell us how this
well is equipped, what the lease, well
and equipment is probably worth,
what you are doing with it, or how
you are caring for it? This lease
and well with its equipment belongs
to the stockholders. They have paid
you for it. You have agreed to man-
age it for their benefit and in their
interest; yet, you make no sugges-
tion to them as to what ought to be
done with it, what you are doing
with it, or what's its probable value.
Don't you think you ought to call a
meeting of the stockholders whose
money you have handled, and take
them into your confidence? Your
contract provides that you shall keep
a book of accounts showing all re-
ceipts and expenditures and the
sources and purposes of same, and a
list of the stockholders, and shall
call an annual meeting, beginning
this year, and make a report of your
action, at which meeting they may
elect a new trustee. If you fail to
call such a meeting, I have no doubt
but what these stockholders will find
some way to get together and find
out what you have done with their
business, and devise some means of
getting what they are entitled to.

C. H. Robertson, B. W. Donaldson,
H. L. Jones, J. C. Dunaway, Fred
Freeman, E. H. Baumgaertner, R.
E. Carwell.

OIL NEWS

Just mention oil and all take notice.

I am looking for an oil well to
come in about May 15th near my
land and would like all who regis-
tered for photos to have them made
before that date, as I can't hold a
picture taken down who strikes oil.
BUNNELL'S STUDIO, Decatur.

Committees For a Victory Loan Drive Next Thursday

At a meeting of the Victory Lib-
erty Loan Committee, the following
committees were appointed:

Transportation committee to pro-
cure automobiles to take the com-
mittees on the campaign—W. C. Mil-
ligan and John Rector.

Thursday, May 8th was set apart
to solicit bond purchasers in the
country, and the following gentle-
men were named to go on the differ-
ent rural routes:—

Route 1—J. G. Gose, J. A. Sim-
mons, W. B. Man and Walter Stokes.
Route 2—E. P. Gibson, Howard
Man, Tom Greer and E. L. Branden-
burg.

Route 3—Will Terrell, Marvin
Smith, Granger Blewett and Walter
Boyd.

Route 4—W. L. Rush, N. A.
Moore, Walter Dyer and Jack Ries-
ger.

Route 5—W. P. Thurmond, Will
Helm, Odus Bailey and M. W. Burch.
Route 6—Gus Hughes, Cicero Get-
tys, Roy Heathington and Dave H. V.
Route 8—J. H. Lynch, Warren
Lillard, Tom Mann and T. J. Dille-
hay.

On Saturday, May 3rd and Mon-
day, May 5th solicitation will be
carried on in Decatur, and the fol-
lowing committee was appointed to
work the town on those days:—A. C.
Hoyl, Henry Ward, W. M. Hughes, J.
P. Luton, H. J. Matthews and Dave
Hoyl.

Wise County Must Go Over the top.
FRANK J. FORD,
Chairman for Wise County.

SHOTGUN FALLS INTO HARNESS, KILLING YOUNG ALVORD MAN

Alvord, Texas, April 28.—Bill
Teague was killed Saturday morning
by the accidental discharge of a sin-
gle barrel shotgun.

He was going on a fishing trip.
The gun slipped through the floor of
the buggy, falling into the harness
which discharged it.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

From Messenger of May 5, 1899

John Simmons spent Saturday in
Fort Worth.

H. E. Brady and family left Wed-
nesday for a month's stay in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rucker leave
Saturday for South Texas on a visit.

The ice companies have decided
not to sell ice on Sundays. So peo-
ple will govern themselves accord-
ingly.

Mr. E. J. Brown of Sam Houston
community, commonly known as un-
cle Jack Brown, died Saturday night,
April 29th, at 10 o'clock and was
buried the next day at Shidell. Uncle
Jack was one of the oldest residents
of Wise county, having lived in the
county since 1855.

In compliance with the new law a
board of trustees was elected for the
city school Tuesday. The board el-
ected are: Jno. Gose, president; Ras
Saulley, S. A. Lillard, C. H. Smith,
H. Court Babb, C. C. Jones and J.
W. Patterson. The election was an
endorsement of the work of the
teachers of the school for the past
year. The general opinion is that
the work has been more satisfactory
than ever before.

Mrs. W. L. Dallas left Wednesday
to visit relatives in Cleveland, Ten-
nessee.

There was an interesting display
of good horses in Decatur last Sat-
urday. Mr. J. W. Lillard made a pa-
rade of some handsome thoroughbred
colts, and Mr. R. G. Cates showed
up good trotting horses. Mr. Cates
is paying some attention to roadsters
these days. Buggy animals of hand-
some carriage and reasonable speed
are being sought after.

The county court room was well
filled last Saturday night with Deca-
tur young men. The object of this
meeting was for the purpose of or-
ganizing a military company—not for
duty in the Philippines, however. J.
K. Gilliland acted as chairman and
Richard E. Collins clerk of the meet-
ing. Short talks were made by H. N.
F. L. Spencer, R. M. Simmons and H.
E. Brady. Our motion of A. E. Tan-
kersley all those desiring to become
members of the new company were
requested to hand in their names.
About forty-three came forward. The
following officers were elected: J. K.
Gilliland, captain; H. E. Brady, 1st
lieutenant; R. E. Simmons, 2nd
lieutenant. The members asked Cap.
J. K. Gilliland for permission to elect
the 1st sergeant. The permission
was granted and E-sergt. W. E. Ter-
rell was elected. Lieut. Simmons, A.
E. Tankersley and F. L. Spencer
were appointed a committee to draft
by-laws and constitution. Another
meeting will be held at the court-
house tonight (Friday). Capt. Gil-
land requests a large attendance.

Play Ball, Boys

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'Killed Wrong Man' Wails Shooter in Houston Jail

Houston, Texas, April 28.—"My
awful regret is that I killed the
wrong man—it's terrible—I did not
intend to take the life of that man,"
declared G. A. Lowrance, wealthy
cattleman of Yoakum, Texas, in his
cell at the county jail today, where
he is held charged with the murder
of W. M. Dutton of Chicago, an audi-
tor for the Hartford Accident and In-
demnity Company.

The killing occurred at a local ho-
tel. The officers who investigated
the killing of Dutton say there is no
doubt but that Lowrance killed a
man he had never seen before, think-
ing he was shooting the man whom
he charges with wrecking his home
at Yoakum.

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WELL GOING DOWN SOUTH OF DECATUR

The Decatur Oil & Gas Company, with holdings south of Decatur, is making preparations to begin operation on the first well. Lumber was hauled out this week for the derrick, and it is said that in a short time the drilling will be started. This company has several thousand acres under lease, and expert geologists say the chances are good for striking a good flow of oil or gas. The company was organized some months ago. Carl Wikland is president; J. M. Wilhoit, trustee, and W. O. Wilhoit and experienced driller will have charge of the drilling operations. Mr. Wikland recently returned from New York, where he went and secured assistance to promote the company.

Allan Rowan Sends Army Paper From Rhine River

Messenger is in receipt of a copy of "The Watch on the Rhine," a newspaper published by the army of occupation in Andernach, Germany, sent by Allan T. Rowan of the Ambulance corps. Rowan saw constant service at the front during the American advance and had many close calls, yet was never wounded. The paper sent gives an account of the defeat of the 36th Division football team in Paris by the 89th Division on March 29. The score was 14 to 6. \$150,000 was wagered on the game. The following advice to the girls at home is taken from the "Watch on the Rhine":

Don'ts for girls in America whose heroes are returning from overseas: Don't serve carrots or anything of that color when he goes home with you for dinner.

Don't insist on seeing where he was wounded.

Don't talk about glory, grandeur and heroism, unless he served in the S. O. S.

Don't be shy. He'll think you imagine he has 'em.

Don't try to keep him after taps. Convert him to later hours gently.

Decatur Band Is the Best In the Panther Division

The 142nd Infantry Band has just returned from Grenoble, where they have been entertaining the boys on leave. Needless to say they made a reputation that has been unequaled by anyone. This band has been pronounced by experts as one of the best in the entire A. E. F. Colonel Williams must have heard this reputation as the band had not been in town 24 hours when he requisitioned it for a dance held at Tonnere Saturday night.

RED CROSS NOTES

The monthly executive meeting of the Red Cross will be held Tuesday afternoon, May 6th at 3 o'clock at the Red Cross room. Every member of the Red Cross executive committee is urged to be present as there is business to be transacted. Branches and auxiliaries, please have representatives present whether member or not. Bring full reports of money on hand and work done as this may be our last meeting.

Miss Esther Dooley leaves this week to spend the summer in California.

Kelly Roach has returned home after a stay in Amarillo.

W. M. Arnold and Walter Allison of Paradise, were here yesterday.

A most enjoyable time was had on last Saturday by some twenty-five or thirty boys and girls of the Junior B. Y. P. U. of the local Baptist church. A fine lunch was served and the Juniors roamed around through the woods in search of fun and frolic. After some six hours' stay at the grounds the happy band returned to the city on the hill. Mrs. J. H. Burns, the Juniors' leader and Mrs. H. L. Jones chaperoned the picnickers.

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Many have their worst colds during the warm months. A very little of

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Girl Farmers.

South Bethlehem, Pa., probably had one of the most active organizations of the woman's land army in the entire United States during the summer just ended. Farmers in that locality in many instances, reaped the largest crops in history, and they praise the conscientious and efficient work of the girls and young women who assisted them as among the best help they ever had.

Pitching hay is really a man's job, but the girls on the farms near Bethlehem were ready to try any kind of farm work, and made a fine record in harvesting the hay crop. The work for which they showed themselves best adapted, however, was horticultural. They were invaluable in the truck gardens, weeding onion patches, picking berries, bunching asparagus and doing the various other odd jobs that must be done to keep gardens productive and neat.

Saturday night meant a time of rest for the girls, and they celebrated with "sings" ordinarily. They also gave occasional vaudeville and minstrel shows and dinner parties. Many of them are college girls and have gone back to school, but others are engaging in other forms of work during the fall and winter season.

Almanach De Gotha.

We pity the colleague who at present has to edit the Almanach de Gotha, the directory of all courts. The next edition, which, by the way, had almost been ready for the printer when the great tumbling of thrones happened and therefore will have to be radically revised and will look very different. We cannot imagine that the good people who used to place the bible of aristocracy and the court directory on the most conspicuous shelf of their bookcase will ever again have the desire to inquire "who is who?"

No fewer than 278 names belonging to former reigning princes will be missed. And those are of the ruling families of Germany exclusively; not to mention the Turks, the Greeks, the Bulgarians, etc. The new almanach, which no longer will have to speak in cringing humility of the Hohenzollern, the Wittelsbachs of Bavaria, the Zähringers of Baden, the Coburgs and the Schaumburg-Lippes is a list of war gains. Of course, it does not compensate entirely for all the sacrifices which hundreds of thousands of better men had to suffer before these 278 highnesses of divine right were permitted to become ordinary mortals, but it is, nevertheless, one fruit of our victory. And the house-cleaning still goes on.—German Democracy Bulletin.

Shades of Solomon!

If Justice Benedict of the Supreme court of New York were running for president of the United States and his election depended upon the woman vote, there is no doubt at all that he would win by an overwhelming majority, after the sentiments which he expressed in an opinion. "If there is any one thing in common that women are jealous of, and particularly grateful for the indulgence of, it is their precious right to change their minds," said the justice. The occasion for these wise words was a plea by a woman plaintiff to change her lawyer. The justice decided in her favor. "A party to an action," he said, "especially a woman, has the right to change her mind and her attorneys whenever the spirit moves her, for no reason or for any reason which suits her whim or fancy. This precious prerogative must be protected and preserved by the court, even against the protest of the superseded attorney."

Resolved

That peace will find us backing Uncle Sam as strongly as we backed him in war.

That between now and April we will lay every possible stone of the groundwork for the Fifth Liberty Loan and leave no act undone which will tend to keep alive and, if possible, quicken the consciousness of the nation that Saving and Thrift are Peace essentials as well as War essentials.

That we will exert our every effort to stop trafficking in bonds of the first four loans and will keep our War Savings Stamps.

That we will carry out our War Savings Pledge if that is unfulfilled, and make and keep new Savings Pledges this year.

That we will work tooth and nail from now till the last day of the April drive to oversubscribe that Fifth Liberty Loan.

That we will finish our job.

THE PAINTER'S BEST FRIEND

Of all the many liquid substances which can be used for the binding of paint or dry substances which when dissolved in water are used as vehicles for pigments none fulfills necessary conditions so well as linseed oil, the king of the fixed oil, and what is of enormous importance, it does it as cheaply. It is the painter's best friend because it makes his work satisfactory.

"Old Sam" Retires After Twenty-five Years' Service

"Sam," for more than a quarter of a century drawing the express wagon in this city, has been pensioned and sent to Wichita Falls to rest the balance of his natural life. He is 29 years of age, and his faithful service to the company is to be rewarded. The boys who have driven "Sam" while he was on duty in Decatur are, Cliff Sheppard, Claud Helm, Wallace Brady, N. A. Moore, J. J. Hagan, Murdock Young and C. C. Lewis. The old fellow will be sadly missed by the citizens of Decatur, as he had been here so long and his service at all times had been faithful. Here's hoping Old Sam will grow a new set of teeth and his supply of oats, corn, alfalfa and bran will never run short.

Owens Cow That Gives Over Five Gallons Milk Per Day

Nearly every man who owns a good cow thinks his is the best cow in town and I claim to belong to that class and hereby back my claim with the following figures:

Total sales of milk, cream and butter.....\$96.50
Total cost of feed and pasture.....30.50
Total Net Income.....\$66.00
Not counting the milk and cream used by my family of four. I weighed her milk nine consecutive days in March and she averaged 46 pounds and 5 ounces per day, equal to 5 gallons and 1½ pints.—C. C. BELL, April 30, 1919.

SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

On account of the rain on last Sunday morning Sunday school attendance was only 108. There was a fair-sized audience at the morning service and the house was crowded at night, at which time Dr. C. C. Jesse, prohibition lecturer, spoke. About \$400 was raised for Foreign Missions in the last two weeks and this, together with \$600 given to Home Missions in March, makes a total of \$1000 contributed to these two objects in the last sixty days. On next Sunday morning the pastor is to present the matter of building an addition to the church building, and every member is urged to be present. Because of the unusual importance of this service, it is hoped that the entire membership will be present.—HARLAN J. MATTHEWS, Pastor.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The state of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. R. Marshall, W. E. Kneeland and wife, Eva M. L. Kneeland, S. J. Woodward, George W. Babcock, Mary Babcock, Leverick Babcock, Leradia Babcock, George Catuch Babcock, K. D. Bateman, W. Q. Bateman, Sam F. Mosley, and the unknown heirs of each of said persons, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43rd judicial district to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Wise county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Decatur on the last Monday in May, A. D. 1919, the same being the 29th day of May, A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 29th day of April, A. D. 1919, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 4316. P. C. Younger is plaintiff, and J. R. Marshall, W. E. Kneeland and wife, Eva M. L. Kneeland, S. J. Woodward, George W. Babcock, Mary Babcock, Leverick Louisa Babcock, Leradia Babcock, George Catuch Babcock, K. D. Bateman, W. G. Bateman, Sam F. Mosley, and the unknown heirs of each of said persons, and Sanger Bros., a corporation duly chartered under the laws of the state of Texas with its office and place of business in Dallas, Dallas county, Texas are defendants, and said petition alleging suit in trespass to try title to the hereafter described land situated in Wise county, Texas. Plaintiffs claiming that they are the owners and entitled to possession thereof, by virtue of the three, five and ten year statute of limitation; said land being described as follows, to-wit:

Out of the survey being in the name of B. B. B. & C. R. Y. Co. in Wise county, Texas, about twenty-one miles north-west from Decatur, patented to George W. Babcock for the use of J. R. Marshall, assignee of the B. B. B. & C. R. Y. Co., beginning at the north-east corner of Falls county school land, thence west 1266 2-3 varas, corner, thence east 1266 2-3 varas, to a point in the east line of original survey and west line of said school land, thence north 1266 2-3 varas, with said east line of original survey, to place of beginning.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. V. Cunningham, Clerk of the District court of Wise county. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Decatur this 29th day of April, A. D. 1919.—W. V. CUNNINGHAM, Clerk of District court, Wise county, Texas (2-23)

What a Woman Told Us Recently

She was telling us why she went out of her way to buy her Groceries from us— "One reason," she said, "is because I'm always so sure of getting things that are good. Besides, you people seem to do everything you can to make my shopping easy."

Not all our customers tell us that, but we feel certain that these are the big reasons we have so many patrons and why we've had them so long. We do try to make buying Groceries easy and pleasant. We know we carry the fanciest line of Groceries to be found anywhere. So many items that are unobtainable elsewhere.

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No. 3—Hominy.....	15c
No. 2—Corn.....	15c
No. 2—Tomatoes, 2 for.....	25c
Chum Salmon, 2 for.....	35c
Large oats, all brands.....	30c
Small oats, all brands.....	12½c
Grape nuts, 2 for.....	25c
Large post toasters.....	20c
Best grade matches, box.....	5c
Best grade Daisy cheese, lb.....	35c
35c White Swan ketchup.....	25c
California navy beans, lb.....	11c
California pink beans, lb.....	10c
Mexican beans lb.....	10c
California lima beans.....	12½c
California black-eyed peas.....	8 1-2c
Crystal white soap, 4 for.....	25c

Swift white soap, 4 for.....	25c
Cream white soap, 4 for.....	25c
Cream-easy, white soap, 5 for.....	25c
Arm & Hammer soda, 3 for.....	25c
White Karo syrup, per gallon.....	95c
Blue Karo syrup, per gallon.....	85c
Wild Rose syrup, per gallon.....	85c
Mary Jane syrup, per gallon.....	85c
Evageline syrup, per gallon.....	85c
No. 1 galvanized tubs.....	\$1.15
No. 2 galvanized tubs.....	\$1.25
No. 3 galvanized tubs.....	\$1.35
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You are hereby commanded to summon J. J. Ayers by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to the said 43rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Wise county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Decatur on the last Monday in May, A. D. 1919, the same being the 26 day of May, 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of April, A. D. 1919 in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 4309, wherein J. B. Doyle, W. L. Doyle, L. M. Atcherson, W. D. Mayfield and S. G. Mayfield are plaintiffs, and J. J. Ayers and C. W. Brooks are defendants, and said petition alleging a suit for partition of certain oil and gas leases covering 4200 acres of land in Wise county, situated about 10 miles east of Decatur, said leases were executed to J. J. Ayres, W. L. Doyle and L. M. Atcherson and are in possession of said defendant Ayers and Brooks. Plaintiffs allege that said Ayres owns an undivided 1-6 interest in said leases and plaintiffs own 1-6 each and defendant Brooks has no interest but is holding said lease contracts for said Ayres. And plaintiffs sue for possession of said lease contracts. A more particular description of plaintiff's cause of action is set out in their original petition on file in my office.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. V. Cunningham, Clerk of the District Court of Wise county. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Decatur this 28th day of April, A. D. 1919.—W. V. CUNNINGHAM, Clerk of the District court of Wise county, Texas. (May 2-23)

M. W. Burch

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Parlez-vous Francais?

By Sergt. H. G. Ward, 142 Inf., 36 Division

My principal grievance against the "Frogs" is that they talk French. This fault is universal, the natives of all ages and classes being addicted to its use. This discovery is the result of more than seven months of observation and investigation. Before leaving the state, together with many of my friends, I was subjected to anxiety and misgivings in regard to my social success with the French, knowing that they spoke a strange tongue. But after reading the attractive ads of the book-dealers and publishers, who offered to sell to the American soldiers for a mere trifle, their French methods with such reassuring titles as "French Without a Teacher," "10 Minutes a Day and Learn French," "French Taught in 20 Lessons," etc., our fears were calmed and we procured books determining to learn French going over on the transport. After we were well out at sea and had explored our sturdy ship from bow to stern and from keel to officers' deck and having tired of watching the changeless ocean, we thought ourselves of our pleasant task and turned to page 1 of our conversation books.

The remaining days of the voyage found us pouring over our lessons. From the deck around us came strange mutterings. From the open hatchway came the sounds—Per-tuh-pah-say-pea-ay-ong-soar-toe. From the upper deck came the monotonous chant—Luh-sur-set-off-ter-mesong-dang-cheese. You could close your eyes and easily imagine that you were in a strange land. I found, to my surprise, that the French had changed our alphabet, printed in a ridiculous manner and many other peculiar things. However, I climbed to my bunk at night tired but comforted by the thought that I had several more days in which to learn it all and was soon lulled to sleep by the gentle rocking of the boat together with the strange lullaby emanating from my brain—o-o-poo-vong-nous-ab-bruvay-punk-po-ta-to.

We first sighted the rugged coast of France in the afternoon and entered the wide mouth of the Loire river just as the sun, a huge orange disk, sank into the limpid blue of the sea. Crowds lined the heights above the river, handkerchiefs fluttered, French and American flags were waved violently from the windows of the houses. We waved our hats frantically in return and yelled ourselves hoarse. We glided into the concrete slip at dusk and the word was passed from mouth to mouth that we would not disembark before morning. The townspeople rushed down and jammed to the iron rails of the ship on either side of the boat to welcome us. Officers and men lined the rails and each port hole contained from 1 to 3 heads, all intent on seeing everything possible. These are the people whose language we've learned, I thought. Now for a conversation! But shades of Caesar! My mind was suddenly a blank. Try as I would, I couldn't think of a word. Each soldier seemed to be in the same predicament or hesitating to make the first attempt. I finally thought of the phrase, "Has the professor 3 arms?" But that would never do, there couldn't possibly be such a freak in the town. Besides, the professor was perhaps on the front and might have an arm

shot off already. I had another inspiration. I thought of the sentence "Is the red book as wide as the blue book?" But there wasn't a book in sight, so that was useless as conversational matter. Suddenly a soldier by my side shouted out, "Parlez vous Francais?" (Do you speak French.) I was at once deeply chagrined. I knew that too. Why couldn't I have thought of that highly intelligent query? There was a chorus of replies from the ship but none of us understood a word of what they said. The conversation was ended. None of the soldiers could think of another thing to say, so we contented ourselves with pitching down coins to the children and watching them scramble and fight.

A few days later a comrade and I obtained a pass from camp to visit the city. We went into a small grocery, being attracted by the noisy discussion, and were determined to find out what it was all about. We couldn't make heads or tails of what was being said, but the proprietress, greatly agitated by something, was giving vent to her feelings in a fiery speech. We were wonder struck at the lightning rapidity with which she spoke, snapping out the words in machine gun fashion. When she had at last finished, my friend, somewhat dazed by the terrific word barrage, turned to me with the air of a judge who has just made an important deduction, and said, "That's spitting it out; I don't see how they understand each other."

Our negro troops were absolutely dumfounded over the fact that the French and Algerian negroes couldn't comprehend what they said. An American negro with the natural easy familiarity of his race, approached one of his black French brothers and made vain attempts to make him understand, then turned away in disgust with the statement, which is now a matter of history, "Dat fool nigger has been over here so long that he's done gone 'n forgot his own language."

I heard here of two soldiers who had been short-changed in a cafe. Neither of them spoke French, but were determined that they were not to be beaten, and accordingly called in a passing comrade and asked him if he spoke French. "A little," he admitted. The situation was explained and boiling with indignation, he approached the waiter. "Parlez-vous Francais?" he demanded. "Oui, monsieur." "Then why in the hell don't you give this man his change?"

Proceeding with our rubber-neck tour of St. Nazaire, we passed a small shop, the door of which served as an admirable frame for a beautiful mademoiselle who stood in the center evidently a clerk. Her cheeks were as fresh and rosy as an unpicked Oregon apple. We stopped as of one accord and became intently interested in the contents of the show window, altho, I confess that I cannot name an article which was on display. I declared my intention of entering the shop to my friend, who was simple-mindedly muttering to himself about an angel, peach, pearls, rubies, etc. I knew not what they had for sale inside, but I was willing to buy anything from a wheel-barrow to a set of false teeth from the lovely creature. As we entered she smiled and dimpled delightfully, and on looking around, I was immediately

transported with joy, for the first thing I saw was a rack of post-cards. What a chance for a conversation! As I made my selection, she stood distractingly near, gurgling some sweet sounding things in a most friendly fashion. But I was as dumb as Baalam's famous saddle animal. Nor could I understand a word. My "Learn French in Twenty Lessons" had failed me the second time. To her great astonishment I bought \$1.50 worth of the cards, she knowing full well that it was against the rules of the base censor to mail them. I left the place angry and humiliated and cursed the man who wrote my conversation book with such idiotic expressions as "Have you the pens of my aunt." If I am not too aged and infirm when I shall finally leave France and be discharged from the service, I'm going to write a French method, "Ward's Hand-Book of Useful and Easy Phrases" beginning, "Good morning, pretty maid, what are you going to do this evening? How about the movies?" etc. The following generations going to France will call me blessed.

In our desperation we finally resorted to the sign language, which is universally understood the world over. It being a highly atheletic mode of speech, our year of physical development in the training camp stood us in good stead. We found that the most satisfactory results were obtained with both blouse and shirt removed. From a distance, these conversations assume the appearance of a meeting of ultra-racial Bolsheviks and, on several occasions having run a distance to see what appeared to be a lively fight, I discovered that some soldier was merely trying to find out from a Frenchman where he could buy a bottle of wine outside of the regulation hours for American troops. The clatter of these meles is deafening, for obeying a natural impulse to talk loud in order to make each other understand, you shout as though you were on the sidewalk trying to carry on a conversation with a workman on the tower of a sky-scraper.

When my Division occupied its training area, my company together with our regimental headquarters was established at Bligny. Here I made the acquaintance of one of the most interesting characters I've met in all my travels. He was a French ex-soldier and had received his discharge, having been severely gassed on the front. While he did not speak a word of English, he had evidently had a wide experience in the sign language and though his performances were sometimes of a very startling character, you could never mistake his meaning. I at once dubbed him Charlie Chaplin. The name stuck and Charlie Chaplin remained during our stay there. I spent hours with this refreshing linguist, for here was one "Frog" whom I could understand. Sometimes, during his conversations it was necessary for him to stand on his head or turn a hand-spring, but every motion meant something. He could veritably make you see all the operations in the second battle of the Marne, or with equal facility discuss Darwin's theory of evolution.

A friend and I were invited out to a home to dinner in this village and on our arrival found two Frenchmen officers already seated at the table. We took our seats opposite lamenting the fact that we could not talk to them and so feel to discussing them and criticizing their appearance. We dwelt at length on their luxuriant beards, likening them to the botanical gardens of New York

City and conjecturing as to how many different species of animals would run out of them if they were threshed well with a stick. Suddenly one of the officers spoke up, "Gentlemen, it's a fine day isn't it? In wonderfully distinct English, too. Panicked and wishing that I had the power to render myself invisible, I uttered a weak affirmative, but at the same time felt inwardly, that on the contrary it was indeed a miserable day for us.

Quite a large per cent of these people speak some English. To graduate from a university here you must be able not only to write but speak some language fluently besides the French. English is quite the most popular, and this accounts for the fact that the French army officers speak it almost without exception. The small children in the grammar schools are studying ours in preference to all other tongues.

A comrade recently went to Tonere to do some shopping and entered a shop, having rehearsed what he wished to say on the outside. "Bon jour, Monsieur," he began, "er havez-vous ah-er-ah postes cartes? The old proprietor replied in perfect English, "Why certainly, step right this way, we have a beautiful collection." It developed that this man had been born and raised in the United States and in fact, had spent 10 years of his life there.

While at Bligny this same comrade and I met with an affable Frenchman one evening and having fraternized with him for some time to our mutual enjoyment, he finally shook hands with us as a signal for departure. My friend wishing to renew the acquaintance, took him by both shoulders as though it would make him understand better, and said slowly, giving his words the peculiar French twang and accent, "We will see you tomorrow," giving the last a special accent.

Another soldier having made several painful attempts to make a native understand his broken French, declared to the onlookers, who were chawing him with ironical compliments on his linguistic abilities—"These ignorant 'Frogs' don't understand their own language."

One of my first social evenings was occasioned by the visit of three mademoiselles to see the old French lady with whom I was rooming together with a sergeant friend. The young ladies were extremely vivacious and talkative but it was a distressingly one-sided conversation. Whenever their remarks were directed toward us, we smiled intelligently and uttered a series of wee, wee, wees, like a couple of small pigs caught in a crack of a fence. Finally, one of the mademoiselles turned to my fat room-mate and said something in a very sweet tone of voice and at the same time pointed at his eg. What ever she said it was beyond our comprehension. "Maybe she wants to know if you have been wounded," I suggested. This proved to be a false premise. "Maybe your legging is coming down," I ventured again. The legging was secure enough. At last we introduced our French-English dictionaries, determined to know all. We spent the remainder of the soiree in the task and were finally rewarded. She had said, "I think that you have a shapely leg." We plunged into our bed of goose hair that night, he triumphant over the delicate compliment and I, crushed because the natural beauty of my own classic, slender limb had been unappreciated.

We Americans have made countless ridiculous mistakes in trying to parley this lingo and some of them border on the tragic. Sam Man, de-

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siring to know how long an old maid piano teacher had been teaching music, unwittingly made a serious blunder. He asked her, "How old are you?" My landlady demanded of me what my business was before I joined the army. In replying I used the wrong word and told her that I was a tramp. She looked considerably crestfallen at this reply and was ready to throw me out of the house when I suddenly realized my mistake and retracted my statement. "My French mama is an incessant talker and is determined that I must learn to speak her language. So I have an excellent opportunity to do so. I can now understand her quite well and can speak a little, although I mutilate it almost beyond recognition. Knowing of my progress, the boys consider me somewhat in the light of an interpreter. So I have several commissions of that kind to perform every day.

A short time ago two of my sergeant friends came running after me, their faces registered pained distress. The night before they had a most horrible experience, they explained, and needed my feeble assistance. They were rooming with a very aged couple and it seemed that the day before they had been away from the house and returned to their room at ten p.m. A son of the old people who lived in an adjacent village, visited his parents quite often, followed them into their room, shook hands with them and said something which they purported to be an inquiry as to their health. They innocently ejaculated in unison, "Bon, bon," (good, good), but he gravely took them by the hand and led them into an adjoining chamber. There lay the corpse of his old mother. What the young man had said to them was, "My mother is dead." The boys were heart-broken and pained beyond expression over the affair and wanted me to make an explanation for them.

Thus innumerable farces are being enacted, each day brimming full of opportunities for blunders. Tragedy, comedy, humor, pathos, consternation, disappointment, laughter and mirth being presented in refreshing melange and happy contrast, which is the heaven by which we are leaven-

ed and the stimulating spice which makes life worth living. What peculiar new interest the Bible story of the confusion of tongues at the tower of Babel holds for me! What consternation must have reigned among the various labor unions! I stand aghast at the enormity of their sins which merited so terrible a punishment. And most of all, I am convinced that truly, the sins of the Father are visited not only on the second and third generations, but on all generations to come.—Selah!

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ARE YOUR TAXES HEAVY? THEY MAY BE HEAVIER YET

Probably every reader of this paper finds his taxes a bit higher than he likes to pay. Thousands of them have been struggling for the last few weeks to make out reports on income taxes to the government, and have found that six per cent takes a pretty heavy slice out of what was left over on New Year's day. Many of us had to borrow money to pay the taxes.

But this tax is nothing to what all of us will have to pay if the Victory Loan fails to go over. Uncle Sam's war bills must be paid. He prefers to borrow the money from us and pay us back later on.

But if he can't borrow it, he must take it—in the form of taxes.

It's like the difference between renting a house for ten years or buying it on the installment plan. In one case, you wind up with a thick bundle of rent receipts. In the other, you have a deed to your home.

Isn't it better to lend your money to the Government at a fair rate of interest than to pay it out in taxes, which never come back?

That's worth considering when the time comes to invest in Victory Bonds.

LOVE LETTERS FROM FRANCE

I have seen boys who came back from Chateau-Thierry and Belleau Wood. Boys with nerves shattered by the incessant bursting of shells and the interminable booming of the big guns. Boys who left an arm or a leg in France. They laughed at their wounds and joked at their awkwardness with the new crutches. They had been a-seeking the great adventure.

But there's another angle that we sometimes don't get.

It has been my privilege to read the letters written by an American soldier in France to his wife. Underneath the khaki of the soldier there breathes the protective tenderness of the man for his mate; his anxiety for her happiness and comfort.

"I wonder if you have enough to eat, or if you are cold," writes the soldier husband, crouched in the mud and damp of the trenches. "Has our little daughter clothes enough to keep her warm while she is going back and forth from school? All of these things I think of so much."

And again: "Tell our little one I cut a picture out of a book; it was a little girl praying for her papa to come back safe from the war."

An interval. Then came a letter from a hospital in Switzerland, after his release from a German prison camp. Lying there with a leg shattered by a German machine gun bullet, "an explosive bullet that tore my right leg to pieces," he writes: "Sunday night was such a beautiful moonlight night. When I looked out my window how my thoughts did go back to you, because we used to say those were our nights. Well, never mind, our nights will come again."

His nights and hers. Nights flooded with moonlight and love and happiness and peace. Never mind, they will come again after all those dreary days of battle and prison. But it can't be before midsummer, because the injured leg is slow in healing.

War isn't all romance and adventure. It isn't all glamour and glory and dash. It's horrible. It's rotten. It is hell. It may be romance for the young and adventure for the soldier of fortune, but it is just plain, stern duty for the man who tears himself from the clasp of wife and child and offers himself to his country, because, God help him, he cannot do otherwise and be a man.

They did it for you. They offered their lives to make peace possible and they helped you finance the big deal. And without a doubt they will help finance the victory.

You subscribed to four Liberty Loans through patriotism. You thought of the Lusitania, and your country had gone to war. You helped prepare, equip and maintain the army sent overseas. And when you read about Chateau-Thierry, Belleau Wood, St. Mihiel, the Argonne Forest, Sedan, you went out and bought more bonds.

And now, the Victory Loan—and peace. But your patriotism is yet to be put to the real test. Over 70,000 American boys gave up their lives for your safety. More than 200,000 soldiers gave a leg or an arm or their eyesight for your protection. The crippled must be cared for and taught new trades, and other expenses of the war must be met.

Choke down that lump in your throat and go out and buy some more bonds to get right with your own conscience to bring home the soldier-husband and to answer his little girl's prayer.

Guynemer, France's ace of aces, who made the supreme sacrifice, used to say: "No man has given anything until he has given everything. There is no limit to the duty of a man when his country needs him."

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[Because of me the treasures of the Sistine Chapel defy effacement.
[I am the keeper of the antique.
[I am the servant of progress.
[Columbus found me bedecking the savages who watched him plant Ferdinand's banner on the shores of New Spain; and the very sails of his caravels resisted the elements of the West through my aid.
[The pioneers westward wending their way daubed the prairie schooners with my protection.
[I am the royal robes of civilization's monarchs, Steel and Lumber.
[The taut wings of the airplane gleam under my protective veneer.
[The sullen dreadnaught and the homing transport plow the seas impervious to corrosion because of me.
[I waterproofed your agents of destruction, the bullet and the shell.
[Then I drew the mercy of my concealing camouflage over your hospitals.
[I glisten on the homes, and on the barns, and on the cement surfaces.
[Where life is, I am alive.
[Where death and decay set in my absence hastens them.
[And my mission is to preserve.
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Wise County. Greeting:—You are hereby commanded to summon M. C. Carlisle, A. E. Carlisle, Geo. D. Marion and A. W. Hunt, and the unknown heirs of M. C. Carlisle, and the unknown heirs of A. E. Carlisle and the unknown heirs of Geo. D. Marion and the unknown heirs of A. W. Hunt, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Wise county, to be held at the courthouse thereof, in Decatur, on the last Monday in May, 1919, the same being the 26th day of May, A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 23d day of April, 1919, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 4311 wherein C. P. Moore is plaintiff, and Mrs. E. N. Hardin, S. J. Seagraves, M. C. Carlisle, A. E. Carlisle, Geo. D. Marion, Texanna Marion, and A. W. Hunt, and the unknown heirs of M. C. Carlisle, and the unknown heirs of A. E. Carlisle, and the unknown heirs of Geo. D. Marion, and the unknown heirs of Texanna Marion and the unknown heirs of A. W. Hunt, are defendants, and said petition alleging that on or about the first day of January, 1919, he was lawfully seized and possessed of the following described land and premises situated in Wise county, Texas, holding and claiming the same in fee simple, to-wit: All that certain tract or parcel of land situated in Wise county, Texas, about 25 miles S. W. from Decatur and being a part of the Charley Wood survey of 5,348.226 vrs. patented to William D. Ratliffe on the 22d day of February, 1872, by patent No. 762, Vol. 18, and described as follows: Beginning at S. W. corner of said Wood survey a rock for corner, thence East with the South line of said Wood survey 840 vrs a rock, thence S. W. cor of the P. J. Phillips 182 acre tract, thence a E. J. bns N. 11 vrs. DO bns S. 68 D. 13 vrs., thence North 470 vrs. to the S. E. corner of a 100 acre tract sold to J. P. Moore, a rock, whence a P. G. bns S. 14 W. 4 vrs. DO bns S. 11 E. 2 1/2 vrs, thence West 840 vrs to the West line of said Wood survey and the S. W. corner of said Moore tract a rock, whence A. P. O. bns S. 730 E. 19 vrs, thence South with the West line of said Wood survey 170 vrs to the place of beginning, containing 70 acres of land; plaintiff claiming said land by virtue of the ten years statute of limitation.

Herein, fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. V. Cunningham, Ck., of the District Court of Wise county. Given under my hand and the seal of said court at office in Decatur, this, 22 day of April, 1919.—W. V. CUNNINGHAM, Clerk District Court, Wise county, Texas. (Apr. 25-May 16)

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Gose are visiting Mineral Wells.

Misses Nettie McCormick and Leslie McDaniel visited Bridgeport Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Wm. Kelley of Montague county, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bellah.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county—Greeting:—

You are hereby commanded to summon Samuel B. Rindge, the unknown heirs of Samuel B. Rindge, Ruth Ann Wallace, David Wallace, John Wallace and the unknown heirs of John Wallace, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the District court of Wise county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Decatur, on the last Monday in May, A. D. 1919, the same being the 26th day of May, A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 28th day of April, A. D. 1919, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 4314, wherein, Esther Walker suing by her next friend, Mrs. Jim Walker, Mrs. Jim Walker, Ada Lefever joined by her husband, Lefever, Don Jackson, suing by her next friend, Chas. Jackson, Chas. Jackson, Emma Miller, suing by her next friend, George Miller, George Miller Jervis Hobson suing by his next friend, John Hobson, Julia Evitts, joined by her husband, Lem Evitts, Dollie Stewart joined by her husband W. A. Stewart, W. R. Walker, Sam H. Walker, John Hobson, G. W. Walker and J. M. Walker are plaintiffs, and Samuel B. Rindge, the unknown heirs of Samuel B. Rindge, Ruth Ann Wallace, David Wallace, John Wallace and the unknown heirs of John Wallace are defendants, and said petition alleging suit in trespass to try title to following land, said land described as follows, to-wit:—

In Wise County, Texas and being a part of the A. Odell survey, of 640 acres beginning at the public road a stake for corner, thence north 1097.5 varas to North-west line of said Odell survey, thence west 1039 varas to the north-west corner of said Odell survey, then south 1097.5 varas to corner, thence east 1039 varas to the place of beginning, containing 202 acres of land.

Plaintiffs alleging that they are the owners of said land and entitled to possession thereof by virtue of the ten years' statute of limitation.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. V. Cunningham, Clerk of the District Court of Wise county. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Decatur, on this, the 29th day of April, A. D. 1919.—W. V. CUNNINGHAM, Clerk of District Court of Wise county, Texas. (May 2-24)

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